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SCHOOL

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# FINANCIAL REPORTS

OF

JAFFREY, N. H.,

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# SCHOOL REPORT.

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The Committee having in charge the supervision of the schools in the town of Jaffrey, for the year ending March 9th, 1869, submits to the citizens of the town the following Report :

In presenting to the town, this, his third annual report of the condition of our schools, your committee feels compelled to say at the outset, that there has been far less accomplished in advancing and elevating the character of our schools, as a whole, than he could have wished. While a majority of our schools during the past year have been successful and profitable, many of them pre-eminently so, there has not been that uniform success which characterized the schools of the preceding year. To what causes this is to be attributed it may not be possible, with certainty, to determine. The inquiry is one, however, which concerns every citizen of our town. What can be done to improve and elevate the moral and intellectual character of our schools? We are expending annually some fifteen hundred dollars for their support; if they were what they should be in every respect, this sum is of trifling importance in comparison with



the resulting advantage to our children and youth. In the opinion of your committee, the citizens in the several districts should in the first place exercise a wise discretion in the selection of their Prudential Committees. The idea that this office, whether because of its being honorable or onerous, is one that should be held in turn by the several members of the district who are of lawful age, is one that sometimes proves fatal to the welfare of a school.

It is a task oftentimes of no little difficulty to place the right teacher in the right place. A teacher may meet with excellent success in one school, and with utter failure in a different one; and those teachers are few, and their services valuable and to be sought for, who are alike successful in all schools. A successful examination before the school committee is no guaranty of a teacher's success in the school room. Those teachers who have presented themselves to your committee for examination during the past year, have passed more successful examinations in the different studies pursued in our schools, than did those of the preceding year; and while some have met with success in the school room corresponding to that in examination, others have failed to do so. In no case has a teacher, who has been proved by successful experience in our schools heretofore, failed of success during the past year. The obvious inference from this is, that when a teacher is known to be "the right teacher in the right school," that teacher's services should be secured if possible, unless the committee is certain beyond a doubt that he can do as well or better by employing a different one.

The suggestions offered by your committee in his

last report, relative to the expediency of supplying our school rooms with some simple apparatus for illustrating the branches taught, such as maps, globes, a proper supply of blackboard, &c., have not, so far as he has been able to observe, been deemed worthy of consideration. The walls of our school rooms are as bare as ever; the blackboards in many of them as small and unfit for use, though your committee was pleased to notice that in one instance, at least, Yankee ingenuity had overcome the latter obstacle, by making the ceiling of the school room serve as a blackboard. Although it may be useless for your committee to reiterate his opinions upon the propriety of furnishing our school rooms in the manner suggested, he begs to say that his opinion upon that point has undergone no material change since the time of making his last report.

*Prudential Committee.*

Dist. No. 1, Thomas Annett,	Dist. No. 8, O. Bacon,
2, N. W. Mower,	9, I. S. Russell,
3, A. W. Hodge,	10, S. D. Jewell,
4, A. J. Adams,	11, N. Cutter,
5, Chas. L. Clark,	12, J. W. Fassett,
6, J. S. Hartwell,	13, B. F. Prescott.
7, Rufus Case,	

*Dist. No. 1. Summer Term.*

Teacher, MISS MARIETTA A. STOWE, Rindge.

Miss Stowe brought to her work in this school a successful experience in teaching, both in the schools in this town and in the town of her residence. There seemed to be entire harmony between the teacher

and scholars, and the result was a pleasant and profitable term. The progress made in the different studies was satisfactory, and the regularity of attendance very commendable, there being but few marks of absence and no instance of tardiness.

*Winter Term.*

Teacher, MISS GEORGIANNA INGALLS, Mason.

Miss Ingalls passed a very good examination, and seemed interested in the work of instruction, and no doubt labored faithfully to benefit the pupils in her charge. While some of the scholars had made fair progress in their studies, there seemed to be on the part of the majority a lack of the interest usually manifested in the school, and the order was hardly up to the standard of previous terms.

*Dist. No. 2. Junior Department. Fall and Summer Terms.*

Teacher, MISS SARAH E. ROBBINS.

Miss Robbins, who has so long and so successfully instructed in this school, had charge of it both summer and Fall terms. Experience has proved beyond doubt that with this teacher in charge, it is a moral certainty that this school will be a model of its kind. It is enough to say that the school this year was in no respect inferior to that of former terms.

*Senior Department. Summer Term.*

Teacher, MISS ELOISE M. PIERCE.

Miss Pierce is a lady of excellent literary qualifications, and a teacher of large experience. Under her instruction the school passed a pleasant and profitable



term, and the closing examination showed that the school had received a thorough and efficient drill. The classes in reading had evidently received especial attention, and acquitted themselves in a truly commendable manner.

*Winter Term.*

Teacher, MISS SARAH E. ROBBINS.

The excellent success of this teacher in the winter term of this school one year ago, demonstrated her ability to manage successfully this school, which has heretofore been considered the most difficult of management of all our schools, and the district were fortunate in securing her services for a second term. Although the term was a short one, the scholars made very commendable progress, and seemed to understand thoroughly what they had gone over. The order was excellent, and a large majority of the scholars had not whispered during the term. We may safely pronounce it a model school.

*Dist. No. 3. Summer and Winter Terms.*

Teacher, MISS EMMA E. DAVIS.

This school was in charge of the same teacher both summer and winter. Though it was her first experience in teaching, Miss Davis showed that she possessed the qualifications of a successful teacher. The school, in the opinion of your committee, made commendable progress in their studies. The average attendance was hardly as good as it should have been, owing perhaps in a measure to scholars from other districts, who came in for a few weeks. The order of the school was good.

*Dist. No. 4. Summer Term.*

Teacher, MISS MARY A. CHAMBERLAIN.

The fact that Miss Chamberlain's services were sought for a second term in the district, shows that she was appreciated as a successful and competent instructor. Her labors in behalf of the school were faithful, and as in the previous term, were crowned with a good degree of success. A part of the scholars in this district should learn to submit more readily and cheerfully to the wholesome rules and restraints of the school room. Your committee was unable to be present at the closing examination of this term, but from the report of a member of the district who was present, the examination was very satisfactory.

*Winter Term.*

Teacher, MISS HELEN M. BARKER, Hancock.

This school passed a term of ten weeks very profitably under the instruction of Miss Barker. The spirit of insubordination, which seems inherent in a few of the members of this school, showed itself a little this term, and we see by the register that "a little wholesome discipline" had to be administered before it was subdued. These scholars should understand that *order* is one of the first laws of the school room. The closing examination showed that a very fair improvement had been made. The reading was worthy of especial commendation. There were no marks of tardiness, and few occasional absences.

*Dist. No. 5. Winter Term.*

Teacher, MISS LUCY M. SHATTUCK.

There was but one term of school in this district during the year, and the closing examination showed



that this had been an interesting and profitable one. The teacher enjoyed the confidence and respect of her pupils, and, as heretofore, labored faithfully to promote their welfare. The average attendance was unfavorably affected by the entrance of several scholars, some weeks after the commencement of the term. There seemed a good degree of interest on the part of the scholars, and nearly all had made commendable improvement—some of them especially so. There were but two instances of tardiness during the term of fourteen weeks.

*Dist. No. 6. Summer Term.*

Teacher, MISS LUCY M. SHATTUCK.

Miss Shattuck commenced her labors as a teacher in the schools of this town, and the fact that she has been employed in town each term since that time, shows the estimation placed upon her services by those best qualified to judge of them. This school spent twelve weeks very profitably under her charge. The order of the school was good, and the improvement made satisfactory.

*Winter Term.*

Teacher, MISS HELEN M. BARKER, Hancock.

The principal fault with this school was one which could not easily be remedied by teacher or scholars, namely, the term was much too short. Six weeks is too short a time to accomplish great results in the school room. The teacher evidently labored faithfully to accomplish all that could be accomplished in the time allotted to her, and the result was as good a degree of improvement as ought to be expected in

that time. In this school, as in No. 4, Miss Barker had evidently given her pupils an excellent drill in reading.

*Dist. No. 7. Summer Term.*

Teacher, MISS VRYLENA L. SHATTUCK.

Miss Shattuck is a teacher of successful experience, and her labors in this school were attended with marked success. The order and discipline of the school were remarkably good. The scholars were not allowed to make haste at the expense of thoroughness, but possessed, at the close of the school, a good knowledge of all the ground gone over. Order and precision characterized all the exercises of the school. The closing exercises of the school were agreeably varied by practice in gymnastics and vocal music.

*Winter Term.*

Teacher, WILLIAM A. HOLMAN.

Mr. Holman is a member of Dartmouth College, and the only male teacher employed in town during the year. He came to his work well qualified and well recommended, and proved himself a competent instructor. This school contains some very excellent scholars, who acquitted themselves very creditably; they were taught to thoroughly master and understand the reasons and principles of the propositions laid down in the text books. There are, also, a few scholars here who are habitually irregular in their attendance, late at school, and much too careless and indifferent to their studies when they are present.

*Dist. No. 8. Summer and Winter Terms.*

Teacher, MISS IDA F. DAMON, Ashby.

This school passed two terms of eight and sixteen weeks, respectively, under Miss Damon's instruction. This was her first experience in teaching, and she evidently had at heart the welfare of her pupils. The summer term was, so far as your committee is informed, entirely harmonious, but during the winter term, the harmony was so far disturbed as to require the interference of the committee to remove some of the discordant elements. The usual fault of this school, irregularity of attendance, was observable to far too great a degree, both summer and winter terms. Some of those scholars who were most regular in their attendance, made very good improvement. Out of thirty-one scholars, but ten were present at the closing examination. There is a "screw loose" somewhere in this district. Whether the jarring elements are confined within the walls of the school house, or have a wider range, your committee will not undertake to determine.

*Dist. No. 9. Summer and Winter Terms.*

Teacher, MISS M. A. ALLEN.

This school has, for three successive terms, been under the charge of the same teacher, and, though small, is by no means an uninteresting school. Miss Allen labors patiently and untiringly to interest and instruct her pupils, and succeeds in awakening enthusiasm in their lessons to quite a high degree. Both terms of the school were, in the opinion of your committee, successful and profitable.



*Dist. No. 10. Winter Term.*

This school, like No. 5, had but one term during the year. Scholars and teacher seemed to work together in harmony, and to be determined that if they could have but one term in the year, they would make the most of that. At the closing examination the school acquitted itself in a very creditable and satisfactory manner, and had clearly made good progress in their studies.

*Dist. No. 11. Winter Term.*

Teacher, MISS EMILY E. DERBY, Dublin.

This school, like the preceding, had but one term, and the prospect is that the terms will soon have to be entirely suspended, from want of scholars. The school, though now the smallest in town, is certainly one of the most interesting. It contains some excellent scholars, and they made, during the winter, good progress, both in the common and some of the higher English branches. Miss Derby is a thorough scholar and an efficient teacher, and entirely competent to take charge of any of our schools.

*Dist. No. 12. Fall and Winter Terms.*

Teacher, MISS ABBIE A. FASSETT.

On the one occasion that your committee visited this school, though the number of scholars was small, the school seemed to be going on smoothly, and the scholars to manifest a fair interest in their studies. Owing to the illness of the teacher, she was obliged to close without a public examination. The parents, who were most directly interested, so far as your committee is informed, were satisfied with the progress made.

*Dist. No. 13. Winter Term.*

Teacher, MISS HATTIE M. PERRY.

This school spent a single term of seventeen weeks in Miss Perry's charge. The number of scholars properly belonging to the district is small, but by receiving scholars from other districts, quite a respectable number of pupils were obtained for the first half of the term. Those who remained through the entire term, and were present at the closing examination, gave evidence of a marked improvement in their studies. Miss Perry is a competent teacher, and labored faithfully to benefit her pupils.

F. W. BAILEY, *School Com. of Jaffrey.*

Jaffrey, February 13, 1869.

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 13, 1869.

### *Town Officers.*

Paid Joseph W. Fassett, for personal services as selectman from Jan. 1, to March 10, 1868,	\$21 00
" Henry C. French, personal services as selectman from Jan. 1, to March 10, 1868,	13 00
" Alfred Sawyer, personal services as selectman from Jan. 1, 1868, to Jan. 1, 1869,	84 50
" Benjamin Pierce, personal services as selectman from March 10, 1868, to Jan. 1, 1869,	59 75
" Marshall C. Adams, personal services as selectman from March 10, 1868, to Jan. 1, 1869,	50 50
" Joseph P. Frost, services as town clerk,	13 00
" F. W. Bailey, services as town treasurer for 1868,	75 00
" " " " Superintending School Com.,	50 00
" Daniel P. Adams, auditing committee,	4 00
" Lewis L. Pierce, " "	4 00
" Isaac S. Russell, " "	4 00
" Henry C. Tenney, services as policeman,	10 00
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	\$388 75

### *Town Debts paid in Principal and Interest.*

Paid Samuel Ryan, notes and interest,	\$2109 47
Mehitable Cutter, interest,	24 00
Joseph T. Bigelow, note and interest,	159 00
Asa Baker, " "	32 81
Shubael Bailey, " "	132 50
Moses S. Perkins, " "	212 00
John S. Lawrence, " "	106 00
N. H. Moore, Ex'r, " "	212 00
Timothy Blodgett, " "	742 00
Thomas Wellman, " "	238 50
Elijah Wellman, " "	238 50
Samuel Wellman, " "	180 20
William T. Nutting, " "	74 20



Mary Sanders, note and interest,	742 00
William Lacy, " "	212 00
Samuel Taggart, note and interest,	1060 00
John Sanderson, " "	202 59
Rebecca Bacon, " "	577 70
John Fox, " "	1208 40
Benj. L. Baldwin, " "	212 00
Martha Adams, " "	424 00
Oliver Hale, " "	106 13
E. S. Flint, Guar., " "	450 34
Martha A. Forristall, " "	584 83
Calvin Bemis, " "	212 66
William A. Harris, " "	778 35
Samuel Ryan, " "	3 00
E. L. Baldwin, " "	71 85
W. W. Clement, " "	494 37
John Conant, " "	212 00
Asa Baker, " "	505 00

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\$12518 40

### *Highways and Bridges.*

Paid Thomas Wellman, for railing and plank,	\$ 2 00
Stillman Smith, labor on highway,	1 83
M. C. Adams, " "	55 26
John A. Cutter, " "	53 63
Alfred Sawyer, " "	56 95
Samuel Hodge, " "	57 57
W. E. Goodnow, " "	180 33
Isaac S. Russell, " "	49 73
Levi P. Towne, " " and stringers,	81 00
John Frost, " "	48 46
John W. Woodruff, " "	19 50
Alfred Sawyer, for job on the Peterboro' road,	120 88
" " for labor on Maloney bridge, and stringers for the same,	37 50
John E. Whitney, for labor on highway and bridges,	104 23
J. J. Comstock, " " "	24 97
F. H. Cutter, " " "	22 90
Joseph W. Fassett, " " "	39 50
Addison Pierce, " " "	65 97
Oliver Bacon, for bridge plank,	24 15
Arad Adams, " "	45 32
Samuel Hodge, labor on highway,	3 30

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\$1094 98

### *Breaking Roads in 1867-8.*

Paid John A. Cutter,	\$32 63
Charles Cutter,	29 64
Calvin G. Chadwick,	88 95
Jonathan Coburn,	28 94
Nehemiah Cutter,	35 70
Charles Bacon,	9 60

A. W. Spaulding,	59 72
A. J. Adams,	42 76
John Garfield,	20 63
Isaac S. Russell,	23 94
Marshall C. Adams,	31 50
J. W. Fassett,	37 71
Samuel Hodge,	20 00
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	\$461 12

### *School Money for 1868.*

Paid Thomas Annett, Dist. No. 1,	\$120 61
N. W. Mower, " " 2,	338 27
Albert W. Hodge, " " 3,	113 10
Addison J. Adams, " " 4,	79 42
Charles L. Clark, " " 5,	101 99
John S. Hartwell, " " 6,	98 20
Rufus Case, " " 7,	172 57
Oliver Bacon, " " 8,	130 49
Isaac S. Russell, " " 9,	86 51
Samuel D. Jewell, " " 10,	77 20
Nehemiah Cutter, " " 11,	83 81
Joseph W. Fassett, " " 12,	78 32
Benjamin F. Prescott, " " 13,	77 12
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	\$1557 61

### *Overseer of the Poor.*

Paid Franklin H. Cutter,	\$300 00
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### *Expense of Printing Reports, &c.*

Paid Farnum & Scott,	\$45 00
F. W. Ward,	35 00
Farnum & Scott, for treasurer's receipts,	2 25
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	\$82 25

### *Sheep Damage done by Dogs.*

Paid Addie G. Jaquith,	\$6 50
D. W. Lacy,	3 00
Daniel Donnelly,	2 00
Edward H. Bailey,	6 00
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	\$17 50

### *Ringling Bells.*

Paid S. T. Smith,	\$25 00
N. W. Mower,	26 00
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	\$51 00

*Taxes Paid.*

Paid F. W. Bailey, State tax,	\$3312 50
“ “ “ County “	1610 62
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	\$4923 12

*Taxes Abated.*

Paid F. W. Bailey, collector for 1867, on Alonzo Bascom's tax,	\$161 08
Martha Adams, overtax in 1866,	12 14
John W. Poole, Jr., poll tax,	4 66
Richard Warren, poll tax,	4 43
F. W. Bailey, tax on town farm,	88 84
L. E. & C. H. Stickney's whole tax,	7 75
Dexter Pierce,	80 53
Samuel Ryan, discount on bank stock tax,	2 44
Arad Adams, “ “ “ “ “	98
Moses S. Perkins, “ “ “ “ “	1 70
Asa Baker, “ “ “ “ “	3 25
Arad Adams, overtax,	3 10
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	\$370 90

*Engineers and Engine Men.*

Paid James S. Lacy, pay for twenty-six firemen,	\$39 00
Benj. F. Marvle, chief engineer, expense on engine, &c.,	17 06
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	\$56 06

*Entertainment of Town Officers.*

Paid Jonas Cutter, for entertainment of town officers and horse keeping,	\$32 75
Nathaniel R. Corning, for entertainment,	24 40
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	\$57 15

*Miscellaneous Expenses.*

Paid Ruel Howe for services on town farm in 1865,	\$20 00
Charles Cutter, for repairs on hearse,	1 05
Charles F. Emery, for horse baiting,	1 75
O. H. Bradley, for returning births and deaths,	8 50
Gurley Phelps, “ “ “ “	5 25
Josiah M. Darling, by vote of the town,	25 00
Abram B. Davis, for boarding Mrs. Bishop,	28 75
Ethan Cutter, for collecting taxes for 1861-2,	27
John S. Hartwell, for public watering place,	3 00
John A. Cutter, for cutting brush, &c., in grave yard,	6 00
Joseph P. Frost, for recording births and deaths, blank books, notifying jurors, &c.,	10 62
Emery & Hubbard, for horse keeping,	5 60
F. W. Bailey, for counsel, room rent, getting mortgages recorded, &c.,	8 23
Benjamin Pierce, for cash paid out,	2 22
Alfred Sawyer, for cash paid out for blank books, stationery, postage, &c.,	6 43



M. C. Adams, for cash paid out,	50
Alfred Sawyer, for cash paid out for blank check-lists, express, &c.,	1 27
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	\$134 44

### *Recapitulation.*

Town Officers,	\$388 75
Cash paid Overseer of the Poor,	300 00
School Money,	1557 61
Breaking roads,	461 12
Highways and Bridges,	1094 98
Town debts paid in principal and interest,	12518 40
Expense of printing,	82 25
Entertainment of Town Officers,	57 15
Ringin the bells,	51 00
Engineers and Enginemen,	56 06
Taxes paid,	4923 12
"    abated,	370 90
Miscellaneous expenses,	134 44
Sheep damage,	17 50
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	\$22013 28

Amount of 150 Orders drawn by the Selectmen for the year ending Feb. 13, 1869.	\$22013 28
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The foregoing Report is respectfully submitted to the town, by

ALFRED SAWYER, BENJAMIN PIERCE, MARSHALL C. ADAMS,	}	SELECTMEN OF JAFFREY.
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Jaffrey, Feb. 13, 1869.

Your Committee have examined the above Report of the Selectmen, and find it correct.

L. L. PIERCE, I. S. RUSSELL, J. M. WALES,	}	Auditing Committee.
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## TREASURER'S REPORT.

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### *Literary Fund.*

DR.

	Principal.	Int. paid.
To mortgage and note signed by J. R. Stanley, dated Jan. 1, 1852,	\$400 00	24 00
To mortgage and note signed by J. A. Cutter, dated July 12, 1861,	175 00	10 50
To mortgage and note signed by C. Buchwold and P. Hahn, dated Feb. 14, 1862,	254 89	
To mortgage and note signed by L. P. Wilbur, dated March 13, 1863,	200 00	12 00
To mortgage and note signed by J. W. Mann, dated March 4, 1859,	226 00	13 56
To mortgage and note signed by E. H. Bailey, dated May 3, 1867,	150 00	9 00
To mortgage and note signed by John S. Hartwell, dated July 16, 1868,	32 60	
To mortgage and note signed by G. C. Bemis, dated May 6, 1868,	100 00	
To note signed by Oliver Bacon, dated Dec. 30, 1864,	112 40	6 74
To note signed by Abijah and L. L. Pierce, dated Jan. 1, 1864,	25 00	1 50
To note signed by David A. Wood, dated Sept. 18, 1867,	225 00	13 50
To two shares in Monadnock National Bank,	200 00	16 00
To U. S. Bond (1881),	500 00	41 00
To cash on hand, received of State Treasurer,	72 90	
	\$2673 79	

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By interest collected and paid Town Treasurer,	\$147 80
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F. W. BAILEY, Treasurer.

Jaffrey, Feb. 13, 1869.

*Town Treasurer. Dr.*

To cash on hand, per last report,	\$402 68
Cash of Selectmen,	200 00
Balance of dog tax in treasury, March 10, 1868,	32 00
Cash of State Treasurer on acct. of railroad tax, 1868,	293 01
" " " " Savings Bank " "	654 11
Interest on Literary Fund,	147 80
" " Cutter Fund,	24 10
Cash from a friend of the town,	50 00
" of John Conant, gift to the town,	537 69
F. W. Bailey, collector of taxes for 1866,	14 44
" " " " 1867,	1940 15
E. Cutter, " " 1862,	3 92
Benj. L. Baldwin, " " 1868,	257 41
State, county, town and school taxes for 1868, paid to Treasurer,	17835 61
Highway tax for 1868, paid to Treasurer,	477 61
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## CR.

By paid 146 orders drawn by Selectmen for the year ending Feb. 13, 1869,	\$21995 78
Balance cash on hand,	874 75
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*Fund from Dog Tax. Dr.*

To cash on hand, per last report,	\$49 50
" of collector for 1867, dog tax,	7 00
" received by treasurer for dog tax, 1868,	2 00 —\$58 50

## CR.

By paid 4 orders of Selectmen on acct. of damage done by dogs,	\$17 50
Paid town treasurer bal. on hand March 10, 1868,	32 00
Balance cash on hand,	9 00 —\$58 50

*Recapitulation.*

Cash on hand, Feb. 13, 1868, on acct. of town funds,	\$402 68
" " " " " dog tax,	49 50
" received the current year on acct. of town funds,	22467 85
" " " " " dog tax,	9 00
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Cash paid on acct. of town orders,	21995 78
" " " damage done by dogs,	17 50
" on hand on acct. of town funds,	874 75
" " " dog tax,	9 00
" paid into treas. " "	32 00
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*Cutter Fund. Dr.*

To children of Stephen Cutter at decease of their mother, \$400 00

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By mortgage and note signed by J. L. Bolster,	\$200 00
One share in Monadnock National Bank,	100 00
One 5-20 U. S. Bond, July 1, 1867,	50 00
Mortgage and note signed by Ira Rice,	50 00—\$400 00

Outstanding taxes for the year 1864,	\$126 78
“ “ “ 1865,	188 91
“ “ “ 1866,	193 40
“ “ “ 1867,	268 02
“ “ “ 1868,	1423 30—\$2200 41

F. W. BAILEY, Town Treasurer.

Jaffrey, Feb. 13, 1869.

We have examined the above Reports, and find them correct.

L. L. PIERCE,	} Auditing Committee.
I. S. RUSSELL,	
J. M. WALES,	

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## REPORT OF LIQUOR AGENT.

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By cash paid for U. S. Liquor License for 1866-7,	\$25 00
Agent's salary for three years, to May 1, 1869,	120 00
Cash paid for liquors and freight, Apr. 30, 1866,	36 49
“ “ “ “ May 26, 1866,	46 50
“ “ “ “ Aug. 30, 1866,	48 77
“ “ “ “ Dec. 18, 1866,	28 85
“ “ “ “ Jan. 12, 1867,	50 00
“ “ “ “ Mar. 18, 1867,	34 65
“ “ “ “ June 28, 1867,	63 52
“ “ “ “ Oct. 8, 1867,	51 34
“ “ “ “ Aug. 21, 1868,	50 64—\$555 76

## DR.

To Cash received of C. H. Powers,	\$118 28
Liquors sold to May 1, 1867,	191 22
“ “ from May 1, 1867, to Jan. 1, 1868,	86 47
“ “ “ Jan. 1, 1868, to Jan. 1, 1869,	94 18
“ “ “ Jan. 1, 1869, to Feb. 13, 1869,	17 21
Two casks, \$1, one demijohn, 90 cts.,	1 90
Liquors on hand Feb. 13, 1869,	70 47—\$579 72
Balance due the town,	\$23 96

GURLEY A. PHELPS, Town Agent.

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## REPORT OF THE ENGINEERS.

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Your Engineers for the Fire Department of the town of Jaffrey, respectfully submit the following Annual Report for the year ending March, 1869:

The company has been called out only twice during the year, to stay the progress of that devouring element, for which we are organized to guard against.

A fire broke out on the evening of June 25th, between the hours of nine and ten o'clock, in the Barn of Miss Bartenback, about two miles north of Jaffrey Village. The Fire Company was on the grounds, but not in season to save it. The buildings were unoccupied at the time, and the origin of the fire is unknown. The loss was not far from \$400—insured for \$200.

The most destructive fire was on Sunday morning, June 28th, about half-past two o'clock, only three days later than the one above mentioned. Dexter Pierce's large Saw Mill and Wooden Ware Shop, in East Jaffrey Village, was discovered to be on fire, and rapidly communicating its flames to other buildings. Charles Hanscomb's Carriage Shop, Curtis Johnson's Carpenter Shop, widow Austin Prescott's Dwelling House, and George S. Emery's House and Barn, were soon a mass of smouldering

ruins. The wind was blowing strong at the time, and for a time the *whole* village seemed to be in danger; but with great exertion on the part of the firemen, and many citizens from all parts of the town, the further progress of the fire was arrested, by saving the house and barn of Curtis Johnson. The ladies, too, assisted in clearing the houses of furniture, and furnishing refreshments to the firemen and citizens in their arduous work. The origin of the fire is unknown. The total loss was not far from \$10,000, and was nearly as follows: Dexter Pierce, \$7000, insured for \$2500; Mrs. Prescott, \$500, insured for \$400; Mr. Hanscomb, \$500, insured for \$400; Mr. Johnson, \$500, no insurance; Mr. Emery, \$1300, insured for \$900.

Your Engineers can see now, by experience, that the town is in need of more length of hose for their engine, and would recommend to the town the purchasing of the same, together with suitable hooks and ladders for the use of the department.

Great credit is due to J. S. Lacy, the Foreman, in keeping the Fire Company so well organized, and the machine and hose at all times in good working order.

The expense of the department for repairs, and other materials, amount to \$16.86.

B. F. MARVLE, Chief Engineer.

JOSEPH P. FROST, Assistant Engineer.

Jaffrey, Feb. 15, 1869.

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## REPORT OF OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

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Dr.

Cash received of county,	\$455 66
Town Treasurer,	300 00
For one pair fat oxen,	285 00
For keeping J. Darling's colt,	25 00
Of J. Darling, for hay,	8 50
" " " four chickens,	3 00
" " " 34 $\frac{1}{4}$ lbs. cheese,	4 79



For breaking roads,	7 14
I. S. Russell, for 6 bush. oats,	5 10
R. Pierce, for 110 lbs. beef,	12 10
“ “ “ 5 calves,	46 88
For board of George Allen,	134 93
Jonas Cutter, for 163 lbs. oats,	5 00
Left by Mrs. N. Wilder,	5 20
Wm. E. Dadmun, for 40½ lbs. butter,	17 39
John Cragin, for straw,	5 00
“ “ “ 61 lbs. butter,	27 45
Oren Leighton, for cider,	9 35
Mrs. Wilson, for cheese,	2 80
Wm. Upton, for rye,	1 25
E. Smith, for use of bull,	2 50
H. Turner & Emery, for vegetables,	1 56
“ “ “ cider,	6 00
“ “ “ beef hide,	6 20
“ “ “ beef,	15 66
N. Laws, for 1 bbl. cider,	3 00
C. H. Powers, for 56 lbs. cheese,	7 63
“ “ “ 2 doz. eggs,	60
“ “ “ 119 hats,	15 47
“ “ “ 4½ bush. beans,	14 38
Union Store, Jaffrey, 107½ lbs. butter,	36 10
“ “ “ 13⅓ doz. eggs,	3 23
1 pair shirts for George Allen,	2 00
Amount of receipts,	\$1475 87
Amount of expenditures,	1566 18
Balance due Overseer,	\$90 31

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Cash paid J. M. Darling, year's salary,	\$350 00
Dr. Bradford's bill (in 1865),	4 00
Balance on last year's account,	264 63
Jacob Boyce, for house rent,	11 00
Interest on money advanced,	7 06
F. W. Bailey, insurance on town farm buildings,	26 00
“ “ for insurance policy,	1 25
Insane Asylum, support of John Fitzgerald,	275 50
E. Whitecomb, for support of Benj. Darling's wife,	20 00
N. V. Farnum, support of Mrs. Nathan Priest,	34 80
J. B. Newell, support of Mrs. K. Newell,	53 00
L. S. Jaquith, clothes for John Underwood,	18 67
F. H. Cutter, collecting money at Keene,	6 00
E. B. Cutter, for cart body,	12 50
E. Carey, board of Patrick Harrington,	2 00
For 2 bush. corn,	3 20
Andrew Lacy, goods for Henry Boyce's family,	7 00
For keeping cattle,	7 00
Luke French, for work,	26 25
J. L. Bolster, goods furnished H. Kidder's family,	65 13
F. H. Cutter, board of transient person,	75

F. H. Cutter, stationery, postage stamps, checks, express,	1 94
“ “ team, time, and expenses, 7 trips to Troy, Rindge, Marlboro' and Peterboro',	21 00
“ “ time and expenses taking Nathan Hunt to county almshouse,	9 00
S. T. Smith, blacksmithing,	11 24
J. D. Gibbs, 1 pair boots for Benj. Darling,	6 00
Union Store, Jaffrey, flour, groceries, &c.,	117 07
C. H. Powers, grass seed, groceries, &c.,	37 48
J. Gates, for goods,	1 35
E. W. McIntosh, for repairing harness,	2 55
John Cragin, for threshing,	1 36
“ “ making cider,	6 90
Eljah Smith, for labor,	14 00
“ “ 2 pigs,	8 00
G. T. & G. B. Buffum, for cloth,	3 30
N. W. Mower, coffin and attending funeral of Mrs. Wilder,	9 00
H. Turner & Co., for meat,	15 51
N. Laws, for 3 bushels potatoes,	3 00
H. C. French, for one sleigh,	14 00
By N. Laws for various articles,	14 03
Dr. Phelps attendance on Mrs. Wilder,	3 00
“ “ “ H. Kidder family,	2 00
Difference between cattle,	5 00
Overseer's services in town,	24 75
R. Pierce, for 2 rennets,	34
Charles Hanscom, repairing sleigh,	50
J. Darling, for filing saw,	12
J. W. Fassett, for one farrow cow,	40 00
Amount of expenditures,	<hr/> \$1566 18

Paupers now on the farm—Dolly Robbins, Benjamin Darling and wife—3.

Assisted during the year—Mary Twiss, Kidder family of 8, J. Fitzgerald, Mrs. K. Newell, Mrs. Nathan Priest, Nancy Wilder, Wm. Underwood and Nathan Hunt. Total, 18.

FRANKLIN H. CUTTER, Overseer of the Poor.

We have examined the above Reports of the Overseer of the Poor, Engineers and Liquor Agent, and find them correctly drawn and properly vouched.

L. L. PIERCE, }  
I. S. RUSSELL, } Auditing Committee.  
J. M. WALES, }

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## TOWN FARM.

### INVENTORY, FEBRUARY 12, 1869.

1 pair oxen,	300 00	151 " hams and shoulders,	25 17
1 bull,	45 00	150 " salt beef,	18 00
5 cows,	270 00	280 " cheese,	57 00
1 cow,	45 00	53 " butter,	21 84
1 pair steers,	45 00	1 bushel salted cucumbers,	1 00
1 horse,	160 00	5 bbls. apples,	13 75
14 hens,	9 33	Garden sauce,	2 00
2 shoats,	30 00	7 casks,	7 00
23½ tons English hay,	352 50	4 meat tubs,	6 00
7½ tons meadow hay,	56 25	4 butter tubs,	2 40
Straw,	3 00	50 lbs. lard,	10 00
22½ bushels oats,	19 13	15 " tallow,	1 80
1 bushel rye,	2 00	15 doz. candles,	3 60
4 bushels white beans,	10 00	8 lbs. sausages,	1 60
½ bushel colored beans,	1 00	41½ lbs. dried apple,	5 19
6 quarts peas,	50	150 " flour,	9 75
40 bushels corn,	60 00	8 " sugar,	1 20
Farming tools,	150 00	½ lb. tea,	70
1 sleigh,	14 00	35 gallons soap,	7 00
2 wagons, buffalo robes, &c.,	35 00	6 lbs. suet,	72
Household furniture,	90 00	90 lbs. fresh beef,	11 25
125 bushels potatoes,	81 25	1½ lbs. tobacco,	68
85 gallons cider,	10 62	5 bushels meal,	7 50
30 " vinegar,	10 00	45 sap buckets,	5 40
1 gallon pickles,	75	1 harness,	10 00
4 gallons boiled cider,	3 00		
220 lbs. salt pork,	39 60		
Amount of inventory for 1868,			\$2073 48
Difference,			2139 44
			\$65 96
Cash drawn from Town Treasury,	\$300 00		
Interest on Farm, Stock, &c.,	215 00		
Balance due Overseer,	90 31		
Debit, balance on Inventory,	65 96		
Balance against Town,			—671 27

The above report is respectfully submitted,

LEWIS L. PIERCE, }  
 ISAAC S. RUSSELL, } AUDITING  
 JOHN M. WALES, } COMMITTEE.





